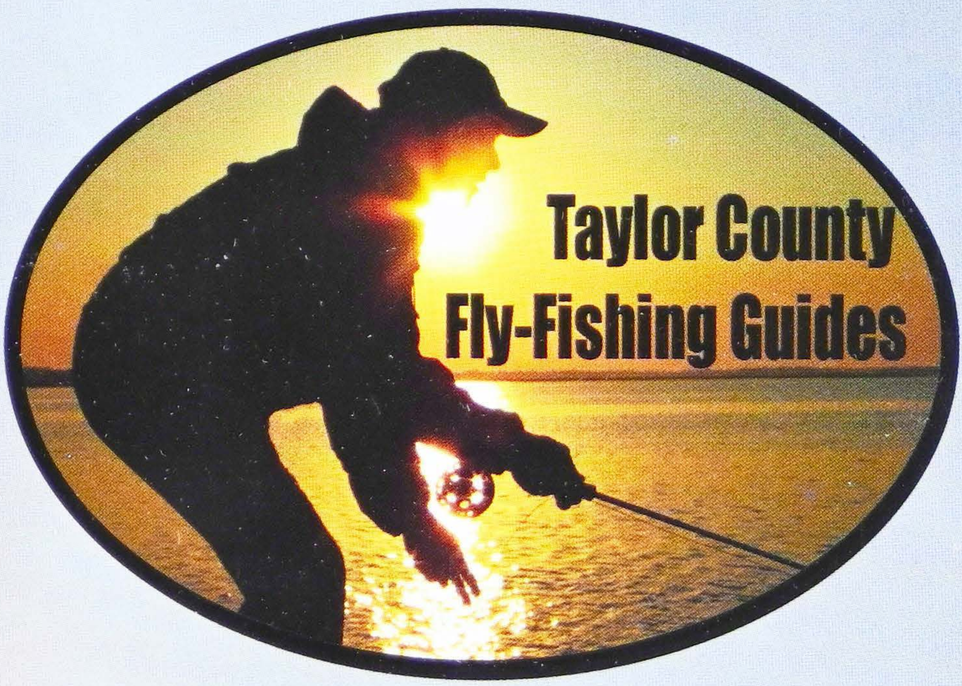

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Official Guide

TO

FLY-FISHING

IN

Taylor County FLORIDA

Steinhatchee to Perry, Naturally

General Information

Taylor County's remote Nature Coast section of Florida's Big Bend must have been designed with the fly-fisherman in mind. Located just a few miles west of US 19, the area features hundreds of miles of flats, creeks, rivers and bays. This is prime habitat for sea trout, redfish, cobia, Spanish mackerel—and even the occasional tarpon.

Florida's fly-fishing boom, spawned in the Keys, has spread to the Space Coast, Tampa Bay, Ten-Thousand Islands and the Panhandle. However, it has been slow reaching the Big Bend and Taylor County. Fish, in this off-the-beaten-track area have rarely, if ever, seen a fly! The surrounding pristine marsh environment adds a bonus to a day of fly-fishing in Taylor County. Species such as shore birds, waterfowl, raptors and manatees are often encountered.

The Taylor County fishing villages of Steinhatchee and Keaton Beach have long been recognized as "hot spots" for offshore and nearshore light tackle fishing. Now, a pioneering group of veteran flats guides is introducing this unspoiled area to visiting fly anglers. Florida's last frontier of salt-water fly-fishing is, at last, open for your angling enjoyment.

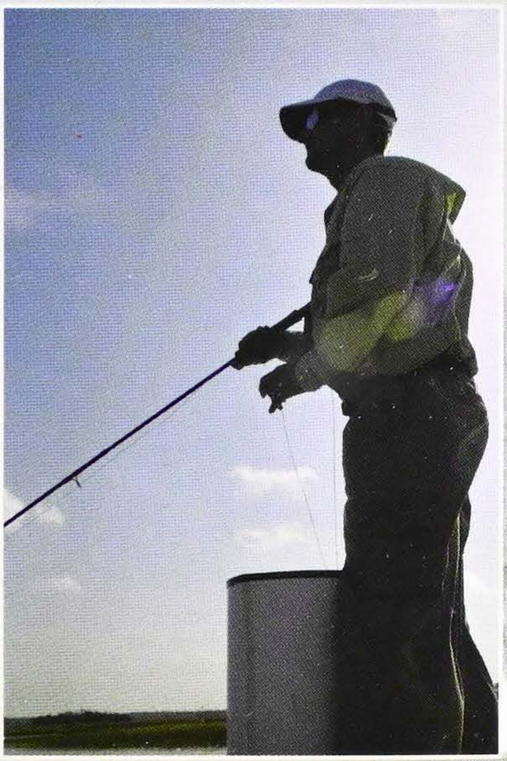
Guide Information

Taylor County Fly Fishing Guides employ traditional Keys-style flats skiffs, canoes and kayaks to reach shallows rarely accessed by other craft. All member guides are required to be USCG licensed and insured. State-of-the-art tackle is provided, or you may bring your own. For those anglers new to fly-fishing, fundamental fly-fishing instruction is also available.

For specific information about individual guides, please see the Taylor County Fly-Fishing Guides' website at www.taylorcountyflyfishing.com.

Lodging, Dining and Family Activities

Visiting fly anglers will find a large spectrum of lodging and dining throughout Taylor County. Visitors may choose between numerous motels, residential rentals and resort accomodations. Fishing clubs and groups will find ample facilities in the area. Non-fishing visitors to Taylor County will find activities such as hiking, nature trails, canoeing, kayak-trekking and birding at many locations and at State Parks in the surrounding area. Swimming and diving in the area's many famous springs is a unique Florida experience. During the summer months, Taylor County's shoreline also offers some of the best recreational scalloping in the world.



For more information about area activities and amenities, visit www.taylorflorida.com

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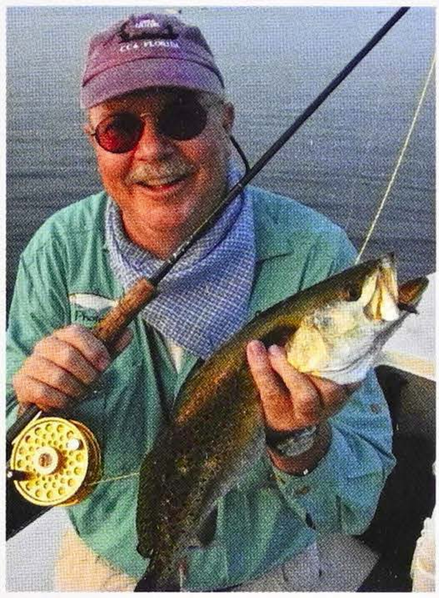

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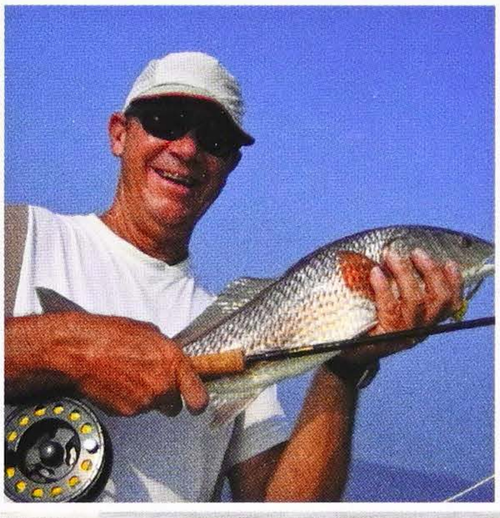

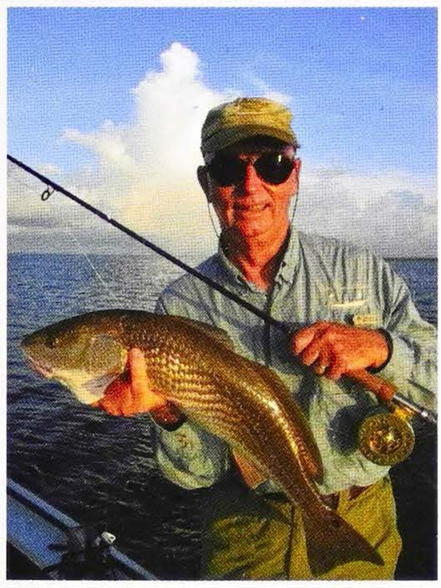

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For The Do-It-Yourself Fly-Fisherman

Hitch up your boat, or throw a couple of kayaks on the roof of your car, and come to Taylor County for a great do-it-yourself fishing adventure. Angling and boating information is always available at our friendly local marinas, and several marinas also rent skiffs and kayaks.

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